JUDICIAL BRANCH JURY MANAGEMENT GROUP

Type: Standing Committee Established: September 25, 2018

Revised: April 22, 2020

Chair: Justice Thomas D. Warren

Report Date: September 30, 2020 and annually

Reports to: Supreme Judicial Court and Trial Court Chiefs

I. Purpose:

The purpose of the Jury Management Group is to review and make proposals for improvements in administrative issues related to jury management, including but not limited to summonses and responses, jury pool sizes, jury instructions—with attention to digital access and social media challenges, jury questionnaires, voir dire models, coordination of panels, juror compensation, and courthouse jury facilities.

II. Responsibilities:

The Group will be responsible for obtaining input from jurists, stakeholders, and administrators in order to assess the challenges, set priorities, review options, and make recommendations to the Supreme Judicial Court and the Trial Court Chiefs.

III. Authority:

The Group is authorized to request information and administrative assistance from the Administrative Office of the Courts, to obtain feedback and input from the Bench and the Bar, and to seek appearances and input from a broad array of stakeholders.

IV. Membership:

The membership will include the Manager of Criminal Process and Specialty Dockets, Director of Court Services, Clerks of Court, and Jurists from both trial courts. The membership may be augmented or modified from time to time at the request of the Chair or the Supreme Judicial Court, with the approval of the Chief Justice. Members will serve two-year terms, renewable on two occasions with the agreement of the Trial Chiefs. The current membership roster is attached hereto.

V. Meetings:

The Jury Management Group will meet on a schedule established by the Chair and will meet in person (including video) no less than twice a year. The Committee may use email, teleconferences, and video conferencing to assist with collaboration and communications.

VI. Reporting:

The Jury Management Group will submit its written report to the Supreme Judicial Court and Trial Court Chiefs, annually, on September 30.

VII. Committee Duration:

The Jury Management Group will be a Standing Committee of the Judicial Branch unless otherwise ordered by the Chief Justice.

Dated: April 22, 2020

Approved by:

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Acting Chief Justice Andrew M. Mead Maine Supreme Judicial Court

JUDICIAL BRANCH JURY MANAGEMENT GROUP MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

Superior Court

Justice William R. Anderson Justice Harold Stewart Justice M. Michaela Murphy Justice Thomas D. Warren (**Chair**)

District Court

Judge Gregory Campbell Judge Deborah P. Cashman Judge Eric Walker

Manager of Criminal Process and Specialty Dockets

Anne Jordan, Esq.

Director of Court Services

Rick Record

Clerk of Court

Michelle Aiken, Somerset County Michele Lumbert, Kennebec County

SIC Liaison

Justice Andrew M. Horton